

A Captain of Horse, to be allowed Thirteen Hundred Pounds of Tobacco per Month. C H A P.
XLIII.

A Lieutenant of Horse, to be allowed One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco per Month.

To a Cornet, Nine Hundred Pounds of Tobacco per Month.

To a Quarter-Master, Seven Hundred Pounds of Tobacco per Month.

To a Corporal, Seven Hundred Pounds of Tobacco per Month.

To a Trumpeter, Seven Hundred Pounds of Tobacco per Month.

To every Private Trooper, Six Hundred Pounds of Tobacco per Month.

And that all these Rates and Allowances, for such Officers and Soldiers aforesaid, shall be allowed and paid, and no more; and the Months aforementioned to be accounted, computed and reckoned according to Kalendar, and not otherwise.

X. And to the Intent that whensoever it shall appear to the Governor or Commander in Chief of this Province, for the Time being, and his Council, to be necessary to raise Forces for the Suppressing of any Foreign Invasion, or Domestic Insurrection or Rebellion, or any War with any *Indians*, that the aforesaid Officers and Soldiers may be duly paid according to the Proportions aforesaid, and all other Charges and Expences, for the Charge and Management of such War, may be duly paid and discharged, without which this Province cannot be defended and secured: *Be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid*, That, from henceforth, all such necessary Charges of such War, and Soldiers Pay as aforesaid, shall be paid, discharged and defrayed, by a Public Levy, by an equal Assessment upon the Taxables of this Province, by the Consent of the Free-men of this Province, by their Representatives in a General Assembly, or out of the Public Treasure of this Province, and no otherwise whatsoever.

In what Manner the Charges of War, and Soldiers Pay (in Case of Invasion, Rebellion, Insurrection, or any Indian War) shall be discharged.

XI. And to the Intent that the Inhabitants of this Province may not be abused, by having their Goods and Provisions pressed by loose or idle Persons, who many Times abuse their Commissions and the People; *Be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid*, That from henceforth, the Commissioners of each respective County, shall yearly, and every Year, *viz.* between the Twenty-ninth Day of *September*, and the Twenty-fifth Day of *December*, nominate and appoint two honest and substantial Men of their County, to be Press-Masters for the Year ensuing; and if any one die, or depart the County, or be lame or sick within that Time, that then the next Justice of Peace to nominate and appoint another in his Stead; that, if Occasion require, they, and no other, shall impress Victuals, and other Things given them in Charge to be pressed, by Warrant from his Excellency the Governor or Commander in Chief, for the Time being. And if any others, but Press-Masters so appointed, shall presume, upon Pretence of any Power as a Press-Master, to seize, take, press or carry away any Goods or Commodities of any the Inhabitants of this Province; he, or they, shall pay to the Person grieved, treble the Value of the Goods or Commodities, so as aforesaid unjustly pressed.

County Courts to appoint two Press-Masters in each County Yearly,

who may impress Victuals, &c. by Warrant from the Governor. Any others presuming to Press Goods, &c. shall pay treble Value to the Party grieved.

XII. *Provided*, That no Press-Master, or any Person or Persons whatsoever, shall presume at any Time, to seize, press, or carry away from the Inhabitants, Residents in this Province, any Arms or Ammunition of any Kind whatsoever, upon any Duty or Service, or upon any Account whatsoever, unless by Order of his Excellency the Governor, or Commander in Chief of this Province for the Time being, under the Penalty aforesaid: Any Law, Statute or Usage to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Press-Masters shall not press Arms or Ammunition, unless by special Order, under the same Penalty.

XIII. And be it likewise *Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid*, That the Commissioners of any County Court within this Province, who shall not, between the Twenty-seventh Day of *September*, and the Twenty-fifth Day of *December* in each respective Year, by Precept from the County Court, signed by

Penalty on County Court, neglecting to appoint